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SUBJ: YAMANI AND FRENCH DISCUSS OIL CONFERENCE

1. SAUDI OIL MINISTER YAMANI MADE PREVIOUSLY
UNANNOUNCED STOPOVER IN PARIS FEBRUARY 27 ENROUTE TO
ALGIERS FOR OPEC SUMMIT; HE HELD ONE HOUR MEETING AT
AIRPORT WITH MININDUSTRY D'ORNANO AND GOF COORDINATOR
FOR PRODUCER-CONSUMER CONFERENCE DE GUIRINGAUD.
ACCORDING TO MFA ECONOMIC DIVISION OIL OFFICE (VIGNAL),
PREPARATION FOR OIL CONFERENCE WAS MAJOR ITEM DISCUSSED
IN MEETING (WHICH HELD AT FRENCH INITIATIVE). YAMANI
INFORMED FRENCH, ACCORDING TO VIGNAL, THAT OPEC MEMBERS
WERE IN AGREEMENT ON "YAMANI LIST" OF INVITEES AND THAT
SAUDIS WERE AGREEABLE TO HOLDING OF PREPCON AT END OF
MARCH. WHEN FRENCH INFORMED YAMANI THAT THEY
PLANNED TO ISSUE INVITATIONS "VERY SOON", ACCORDING
VIRNAL, YAMANI AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE GOOD TO HAVE
INVITATIONS IN HANDS OF OPEC MINISTERS BY TIME OF OPEC
SUMMIT NEXT WEEK.
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